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Champaign Regional Office

- Lake Decatur is looking at a whole series of options to deal with their potential conditions.
- Bloomington's combined reservoir deficit reached eight feet so they issued a voluntary
 water use restrictions. The next level of restrictions kick in if and when the combined
 deficit reaches ten feet. For a variety of reasons in the past couple of weeks they have
 seen a considerable drop in water demand (it's below historical average for this time of
 year). They still have many months of water in storage.
- Pontiac's problem is not water quantity but water quality. They are unable to use their river source due to MIB above 1,000.

Marion Regional Office

• The Vienna Correctional Center (VCC), the Dept. of Corrections meeting in Springfield on August 21, 2012 with DNR to discuss short and long term plans for the Vienna Correctional Centers source. They are not in a critical state at this point but options for additional raw water are being considered. The recycle line from the backwash lagoon that carries supernatant from the lagoon is installed and is discharging to the lake in addition to some finished water internal reductions of use have reportedly occurred. Staff from DNR and Illinois EPA is headed there this week to look at a series of potential solutions to assist VCC.

Statewide

• All other community water supply surface water plants continue to be holding their own and some have seen a reservoir level increase in the past week.

